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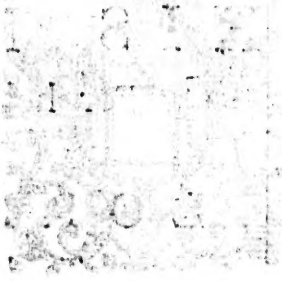

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My Lords, and Gentlemen,

THE King has commanded us to put an End to this Seſſion of Parliament; and, at the ſame Time, to aſſure you, that as your Conduct, during the Courſe of it, has highly deſerved His Royal Approbation, ſo His Majeſty now returns you His hearty Thanks for it.

At the Opening of the Seſſion, His Majeſty exhorted you to bear up againſt all Difficulties; effectually to ſtand by and defend His Majeſty; and vigorouſly to ſupport the King of *Pruſſia*, and the reſt of His Allies.

The King has commanded us to acquaint you, That His Hopes of ſurmounting thoſe Difficulties were founded on the Wiſdom, Zeal, and Affection, of ſo good a Parliament; and that you have fully anſwered His Expectations. You have conſidered the War in all it's Parts; and, notwithſtanding the long Continuance of it, thro' the Obſtinacy of our Enemies, have made ſuch Proviſion for the many different Operations, as ought to convince the Powers engaged againſt us, that it will be for their Intereſt, as well as for the Eaſe and Relief of all *Europe*, to come to equitable and honourable Terms of Accommodation.

By your Aſſiſtance, the Combined Army in *Germany* has been completed; powerful Squadrons, as well as great Numbers of Land Forces, are employed in *America*, in order to maintain the juſt Rights and Poſſeſſions of His Majeſty and His People, and to annoy the Enemy in the moſt ſenſible Manner in thoſe Parts: And as *France* is now making conſiderable Preparations in her Ports, His Majeſty has taken Care to put His Fleet at Home in the beſt Condition, both of Strength and Situation, to guard againſt and repel any Attempts that may be meditated againſt His Kingdoms.

The King's Meaſures have all been directed to aſſert the Honour of His Crown, to preſerve the eſſential Intereſts of His faithful Subjects, and to ſupport the Cauſe of the Proteſtant Religion, and Public Liberty. His Majeſty therefore truſts, that the Uprightneſs of His Intentions will draw down the Bleſſing of Heaven upon His Endeavours.

We have it alſo in Command from His Majeſty to let you know, That He hopes the Proviſions you have made to prevent and correct the Exceſſes of the Privateers, will be effectual to that deſireable End. The King has had it much at Heart; for tho' His Majeſty is ſenſible of the Utility of that Service, when under proper Regulations, He is determined to do His utmoſt to prevent any Injuries or Hardſhips being done to the Subjects of Neutral Powers, as far as may be practicable, and conſiſtent with His Majeſty's juſt Right to hinder the Trade of His Enemies from being colluſively and fraudulently covered.

Gentlemen of the Houſe of Commons,

We are commanded to aſſure you, That when His Majeſty conſiders the large Supplies which you have ſo unanimouſly given, He feels Himſelf under the ſtrongeſt Obligations, not only to thank you for them, but alſo to applaud the Firmneſs and Vigour with which you have acted; as well as your Prudence in judging that, notwithſtanding the preſent Burdens, the making ample Proviſion for carrying on the War is the moſt probable Means to bring it to an honourable and happy Concluſion. No Attention will be wanting on His Majeſty's Part, for the faithful Application of what you have granted.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

His Majeſty has been graciouſly pleaſed to order us to add, That He has nothing more to deſire of you, but that you would carry down the ſame good Diſpoſitions, and propagate them in your ſeveral Countries, which you have ſhewn in your Proceedings during your ſitting here.

After which the Lord Keeper ſaid;

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

IT *is His Majeſty's Royal Will and Pleaſure, That this Parliament be prorogued to* Thurſday *the Twenty ſixth Day of* July *next, to be then here held; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to* Thurſday *the Twenty ſixth Day of* July *next.*

FINIS.